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SUBJECT: INVITATIONS TO ATTEND UNESCO PERSONNEL
RECRUITMENT MEETING

FOR IO/EX: DENNING

1. UNESCO'S BUREAU OF PERSONNEL HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO CONVENE MEETING FROM 2 TO 6 JUNE 1975 OF MEMBER STATES' REPRESENTATIVES CONCERNED WITH UNESCO PERSONNEL RECRUITMENT WITH VIEW TO IMPROVING AND INTENSIFYING COOPERATION BETWEEN SECRETARIAT AND MEMBER STATES. MEETING WILL BE CONCERNED WITH FUTURE RECRUITMENT PROSPECTS, SELECTION AND SUBMISSION OF CANDIDATURES FOR VACANT POSTS AT SECRETARIAT AND IN THE FIELD.

2. PERSONNEL HAS INVITED STANLEY WILCOX, U.S. OFFICE OF EDUCATION, AND WILLIAM V. DENNING, IO/EX, TO ATTEND THIS MEETING VIA LETTERS DATED 13 AND 26 FEBRUARY 1975, RESPECTIVELY. PERSONNEL ASKS FOR REPLY BEFORE 15 MARCH AND STATES THAT UNESCO IS NOT IN POSITION TO MEET TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES.

3. IN VIEW OF MAJOR UNESCO REORGANIZATION PLANNED FOR 1975-1976, PERMDEL BELIEVES IT ESSENTIAL THAT WILCOX AND DENNING ATTEND, AS MEETING OF THIS TYPE HELD ONLY EVERY
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TWO YEARS. MEETING ALSO PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS

ENTIRE UNESCO RECRUITMENT SELECTION PROCEDURE AND CHANCE TO MEET DIRECTLY WITH SECRETARIAT PERSONNEL AND PROJECT OFFICERS.

4. SUGGEST DENNING AND WILCOX COORDINATE REPLIES TO UNESCO TO INCLUDE REQUEST FOR ATTENDANCE OF DELOFFS PITTS AND KEMERY. THIS WILL ENABLE UNESCO TO RESERVE CORRECT NUMBER OF SEATS FOR USDEL AND ENSURE THAT ALL INVOLVED RECEIVE PRE-MEETING MATERIALS.

5. FROM PAST EXPERIENCE, OTHER MEMBER STATES HAVE SENT LARGE DELEGATIONS. FRANCE, SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES, SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, IN PARTICULAR, HAVE BEEN WELL REPRESENTED. THESE DELEGATIONS HAVE SPENT ADDITIONAL TIME IN DISCUSSING POTENTIAL CANDIDATES AND STRENGTHENING REQUESTS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS TO HAVE MORE OF THEIR NATIONALS APPOINTED. PERMDEL BELIEVES THIS ALSO OPPORTUNE TIME TO EMPHASIZE U.S. DESIRE TO INCREASE ITS PERSONNEL REPRESENTATION WITHIN UNESCO. VIEWED ANOTHER WAY, IF THERE IS NO U.S. REPRESENTATION FROM OFFICE OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT, IN OUR JUDGMENT, THIS WILL BE NOTED BY ALL AND USED BY SOME TO "PROVE" USG IS NOT REALLY SERIOUS ABOUT INCREASING ITS UNESCO REPRESENTATION.
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